

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session and stands adjourned until 8:30 a.m., on Friday, October 13, 2017.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 42 public bills, H.R. 4028–4069; and 7 resolutions, H.J. Res. 118; H. Con. Res. 85; and H. Res. 569–573 were introduced. **Pages H8029–31**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H8032–34**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 3669, to improve and streamline security procedures related to general aviation and commercial charter air carrier utilizing risk-based security standards, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–346). **Page H8029**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Byrne to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H7977**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:25 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H7986**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Rev. Joshua Leu, First Christian Church, Great Bend, Kansas. **Page H7986**

Recess: The House recessed at 1:48 p.m. and reconvened at 1:55 p.m. **Page H8004**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:37 p.m. and reconvened at 2:40 p.m. **Page H8008**

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018—Motion to go to Conference: The House agreed by unanimous consent to disagree to the Senate amendment and request a conference on H.R. 2810, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2018 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense

activities of the Department of Energy, and to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year. **Pages H8004–08, H8008–09, H8009–10**

Rejected the Langevin motion to instruct conferees by a yea-and-nay vote of 184 yeas to 237 nays, Roll No. 564. **Pages H8004–08, H8808–09**

Agreed to the Thornberry motion to close portions of the conference by a yea-and-nay vote of 414 yeas to 8 nays, Roll No. 565. **Pages H8009–10**

Later, the Chair appointed the following conferees:

From the Committee on Armed Services, for consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Thornberry, Wilson of South Carolina, LoBiondo, Bishop of Utah, Turner, Rogers of Alabama, Franks of Arizona, Shuster, Conaway, Lamborn, Wittman, Coffman, Hartzler, Austin Scott of Georgia, Cook, Stefanik, Knight, Bacon, Smith of Washington, Brady of Pennsylvania, Davis of California, Langevin, Larsen of Washington, Cooper, Bordallo, Courtney, Tsongas, Garamendi, Speier, Veasey, and Gabbard. **Page H8012**

From the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, for consideration of matters within the jurisdiction of that committee under clause 11 of rule X: Representatives Nunes, Stewart, and Schiff. **Page H8012**

From the Committee on the Budget, for consideration of sec. 1262 of the House bill, and sec. 4 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Johnson of Ohio, Bergman, and Yarmuth. **Page H8012**

From the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for consideration of secs. 221, 551, 555, and

3509 of the House bill, and secs. 236, 551–53, 3116, 5508, and 6001 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Foxx, Byrne, and Scott of Virginia.

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From the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for consideration of secs. 313, 314, 601, 723, 727, 729, 732, 3118, and 3122 of the House bill, and secs. 601, 701, 725, 732, 1089A, 1625, and 3114 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Walden, Barton, and Pallone.

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From the Committee on Financial Services, for consideration of sec. 862 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Barr, Williams, and Maxine Waters of California.

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From the Committee on Foreign Affairs, for consideration of secs. 864, 1032, 1039, 1040, 1058, 1201, 1203–05, 1211, 1222, 1223, 1231, 1232, 1234, 1243, 1246, 1247, 1265, 1270A, 1272, 1276, 1278, 1280, 1301, 1302, 1521, 1522, 1687, 2841, and 3117 of the House bill, and secs. 111, 861, 867, 1011, 1203–05, 1212, 1213, 1231–33, 1241–45, 1250, 1261–63, 12708, 1270C, 1282, 1283, 1301, 1302, 1531, and 1651 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Royce of California, Donovan, and Engel.

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From the Committee on the Judiciary, for consideration of secs. 515, 1062, 1063, 1067, 1080, 1695, 2843, and 3510 of the House bill, and secs. 520A, 529, 1035, 1081, 1083, 1217, 1264, and 14013 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Goodlatte, Issa, and Conyers.

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From the Committee on Natural Resources, for consideration of secs. 601, 1062, 1265, 2827, 2828, 2831, 2832, 2844, 2863, subtitle F of title XXVIII, and sec. 2863 of the House bill, and secs. 311, 338, 601, 1263, 1264, 2850, and 12801 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Westerman, Cheney, and Grijalva.

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From the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for consideration of secs. 323, 501, 801, 803, 859–860A, 873, and 1101–09 of the House bill, and secs. 218, 544, 557, 801, 812, 821, 822, 829, 852, 902, 931, 934, 938, 1045, 1093, 1094, 1101, 1102, 1104–06, 1111–13, 2821, 2822, 6005, 6012, 10804, 11023–25, and 11603 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Meadows, Ross, and Lynch.

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From the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, for consideration of sec. 223 of the House

bill and secs. 897, 898, 1662–64, and 6002 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Smith of Texas, Lucas, and Eddie Bernice Johnson of Texas.

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From the Committee on Small Business, for consideration of secs. 801, 860B, 867, 1701–04, 1711–13, 1721–23, 1731–37, and 1741 of the House bill, and secs. 854, 862, 897, 898, 899C, 10801, and 10802 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Chabot, Kelly of Mississippi, and Velázquez.

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From the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for consideration of secs. 122, 311, 546, 601, 1082, 1617, 1695, 3501, 3502, 3505, and 3507–10 of the House bill, and secs. 331, 601, 1048, 6002, 13501, 13502, 13508, 13513, 13607, and 14013 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Graves of Missouri, Hunter, and Bustos.

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From the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, for consideration of secs. 572, 573, 576, 578, 1077, and 2841 of the House bill, and secs. 731, 1084, 1088, 1264, 11001, 11008, and 14004 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Roe of Tennessee, Bilirakis, and Walz.

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From the Committee on Ways and Means, for consideration of sec. 701 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Tiberi, Walorski, and Neal.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measure:

Providing for the concurrence by the House in the Senate amendment to H.R. 2266, with an amendment: H. Res. 569, providing for the concurrence by the House in the Senate amendment to H.R. 2266, with an amendment, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 353 yeas to 59 nays, Roll No. 566.

Pages H7989–97, H8010

Dr. Chris Kirkpatrick Whistleblower Protection Act of 2017: The House passed S. 585, to provide greater whistleblower protections for Federal employees, increased awareness of Federal whistleblower protections, and increased accountability and required discipline for Federal supervisors who retaliate against whistleblowers, by a recorded vote of 420 ayes with none voting “no”, Roll No. 568.

Pages H7998–H8004, H8010–12

Rejected the O'Halleran motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 190 yeas to 232 nays, Roll No. 567.

Pages H8003–04, H8010–11

H. Res. 562, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (S. 585) was agreed to yesterday, October 11th.

Strengthening State and Local Cyber Crime Fighting Act of 2017: The House agreed to take from the Speaker's table and concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 1616, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to authorize the National Computer Forensics Institute. **Pages H8012–13**

Providing for a correction in the enrollment of H.R. 2266: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 85, providing for a correction in the enrollment of H.R. 2266. **Pages H8013–14**

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 10 a.m. Monday, October 16. **Page H8014**

Senate Referral: S. 1595 was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Committee on the Judiciary, and the Committee on Financial Services. **Page H8029**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H8008–09, H8009–10, H8010, H8010–11, and H8011–12. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY MISSIONS AND MANAGEMENT PRIORITIES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Department of Energy Missions and Management Priorities”. Testimony was heard from Rick Perry, Secretary, Department of Energy.

21ST CENTURY TRADE BARRIERS: PROTECTIONIST CROSS BORDER DATA FLOW POLICIES IMPACT ON U.S. JOBS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Digital Commerce and Consumer Protection held a hearing entitled “21st Century Trade Barriers: Protectionist Cross Border Data Flow Policies Impact on U.S. Jobs”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE FUTURE OF HOUSING IN AMERICA: OVERSIGHT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Future of Housing in America: Oversight of the Department of Housing and Urban Development”. Testimony was heard from

Dr. Ben Carson, M.D., Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee continued a markup on H.R. 477, the “Small Business Mergers, Acquisitions, Sales, and Brokerage Simplification Act of 2017”; H.R. 1116, the “Taking Account of Institutions with Low Operation Risk Act of 2017”; H.R. 1585, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to codify certain qualifications of individuals as accredited investors for purposes of the securities laws; H.R. 1645, the “Fostering Innovation Act of 2017”; H.R. 1699, the “Preserving Access to Manufactured Housing Act of 2017”; H.R. 2121, the “Pension, Endowment, and Mutual Fund Access to Banking Act”; H.R. 2148, the “Clarifying Commercial Real Estate Loans”; H.R. 2201, the “Micro Offering Safe Harbor Act”; H.R. 2396, the “Privacy Notification Technical Clarification Act”; H.R. 2706, the “Financial Institution Customer Protection Act of 2017”; H.R. 2954, the “Home Mortgage Disclosure Adjustment Act”; H.R. 3072, the “Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection Examination and Reporting Threshold Act of 2017”; H.R. 3312, the “Systemic Risk Designation Improvement Act of 2017”; H.R. 3758, the “Senior Safe Act of 2017”; H.R. 3857, the “Protecting Advice for Small Savers Act of 2017”; H.R. 3898, the “Impeding North Korea's Access to Finance Act of 2017”; H.R. 3903, the “Encouraging Public Offerings Act of 2017”; H.R. 3911, the “Risk-Based Credit Examination Act”; H.R. 3948, the “Protection of Source Code Act”; H.R. 3971, the “Community Institution Mortgage Relief Act of 2017”; H.R. 3972, the “Family Office Technical Correction Act of 2017”; and H.R. 3973, the “Market Data Protection Act of 2017”. H.R. 3898, H.R. 2121, H.R. 2396, H.R. 2706, H.R. 2954, H.R. 3312, H.R. 3903, H.R. 3972, H.R. 2148, H.R. 1585, and H.R. 3948 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 1116, H.R. 1699, H.R. 3072, H.R. 3971, H.R. 477, H.R. 3911, H.R. 3857, H.R. 3973, H.R. 1645, H.R. 2201, and H.R. 3758 were ordered reported, without amendment.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 535, the “Taiwan Travel Act”; and H.R. 1698, the “Iran Ballistic Missiles and International Sanctions Enforcement Act”. H.R. 1698 was ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 535 was ordered reported, without amendment.